

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are deeply saddened by the news of the recent passing of Harvey Scales, of St. Louis, Missouri; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales was born on November 15, 1934, in Parkdale, Arkansas, the fourth of six sons born to Emma Davidson Scales and Lavell Scales, and he moved to St. Louis in 1949 to live with one of his older brothers and to attend high school, and in 1953, he graduated from Charles Sumner High School; and

Whereas, in the fall of 1953, Harvey Scales enrolled in Stowe Teacher's College for a semester before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force in January 1954, and after basic training, he went to technical school and became a Ground Radar Operator; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales nobly served his country in Germany, France, Holland, Denmark, Austria and Belgium before returning to the United States, when he was stationed in Omaha, Nebraska, where he remained until he was honorably discharged in December 1957, with the rank of staff sergeant; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales secured the position of Substitute Letter Carrier for the U.S. Postal Service in May 1959, and in October that same year, he became one of the first two carriers assigned to Kinloch, the oldest black settlement in the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales was an active member of Lane Tabernacle C.M.E. Church, and his activities included Sunday School, the Food Pantry, member and leader of the J.M. Pettigrew Class, member of Usher Board #2, member of the Health Ministry and chairman of the Trustee Board; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales was an active member of the community, as he was appointed by former St. Louis Mayor Vincent Schoemehl to serve three one-year terms on the Commission of Crime and Law Enforcement, was a member of the North Side Neighborhood Action Association and the 27th Ward Democratic Organization, served on the 5900 Block of Tara Lane Block Unit, a member of the Minority Advisory Committee on Prostate Cancer and the Program for the Elimination of Cancer Disparities (PECaD) at the Siteman Cancer Center, participated in the 100 Black Men Prostate Cancer Walk, and he was a past member of The Prometheans, Incorporated and the Sumner High School Class of 1953 Club; and

Whereas, Harvey Scales will be long and well remembered by wife, Gwendolyn; children, Sandra and her husband, James, Daryl and his wife, Connie, Kim, Dwayne and his wife, Shari, Karen, and Dwight; grandchildren, Belinda, James Jr., Daryl Jr., Krysten, Karyn, Dustin, Devin, Dwayne II, Dyson, and Kayla; brothers, Earl and James; and sisters-in-law, Junia and Ann:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most heartfelt condolences to the family of Harvey Scales on this sad occasion; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the family of Harvey Scales.

Offered by _____
Representative Connie L. Johnson
District No. 61

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker